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The Newsletter of the Burwood District Bowls Club

From the President's Desk

Our club is moving quite nicely into this very important season. Why is it 'very important', probably more so than any other before it? The answer to that question should be immediately obvious. If it is not then have you not been paying attention?

This is our **Turnaround Year**. This is the year the ground we have lost over recent years must be recovered. This is the year when membership growth has never been more critical. This is the year for all hands to be on deck, for our individual and collective minds to be creatively seeking for the triggers to drive that turnaround.

I have been delighted with the broad-based response by so many to the challenges I issued at the outset of the year. So many of you have been quick to be part of whatever action needed your skills or just your hands. Being actively involved in the Club adds enormously to one's pleasure in membership. The level of that support clearly indicates we are all working in the same direction with the same goal. Your Board has been up and going on several fronts. Grant applications have been developed and lodged, yielding so far, \$7250 from Boroondara CC for a Jack Attack program. We have received some \$1700 from Bendigo Bank for works to the McLellan Green. We are awaiting the outcome of our application for Federal funding to convert the Warner Green to tift dwarf before next season. We have an application for further Federal funding to enable an innovative program that will draw inactive seniors out of their homes and into a more active life style through lawn bowls and other activities at our facility. This latter has the potential to swell our numbers by perhaps 90 new members over two years and our coffers by some \$15-\$20K. We have established meaningful and constructive links with the Sri Lankan society from further to the east of us with a view to engaging them with greater frequency as users of our facility and potentially as members.

We are currently encouraging one of our local industries, Reece Plumbing, to use our facility as their regular Friday evening end of week social centre. A small number did so a week or so back to test the waters so to speak. The exploring group was very happy with all they saw and experienced. With a staff of some 400, you will see that is an attractive prospect. Our intention is then to invite other local industries to join in. Do you see the potential? No doubt some of them will want to try barefoot bowls and perhaps become active in Tuesday night bowls. If it turns out as we are hoping, then there will be the need for member support. Please stand by to heed the call when it comes.

As you all know, my **100 by October 31** initiative did not make it. I am not disheartened by that. We are moving right along, seeking the actions that will make it. As always my challenge is to be the best member you can be. I'm seeing much that indicates my challenge is being met.

We can do this.

Michael Chittenden
President.

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MIDWEEK PENNANT RESULTS

Tuesday December 4th 2018



LEADER	SECOND	THIRD	SKIP	For	Agst	Diff	PTS
BURWOOD 1	Home	Beaumaris					
B Matthews	G Nielsen	B Chittenden	M Chittenden	23	13	10	2
P Williams	J Ferguson	P Kaye	S Collins	26	12	14	2
J Mann	H Kennedy	G Burgess	R Morley	29	9	20	2
			Win	78	34	44	16
BURWOOD 2 v	Home	Middle Park					
L Larher	A Powell	A Marshall	J Hawes	16	18	-2	
L Durran	L Rasmussen	J Kent	M Hawes	18	19	-1	
B Dunstan	G Murphy	E Lambert	J Sumsion	19	18	1	2
			Loss	53	55	-2	2
Burwood 6-a-Side	Away	Bye					
E Payne	I Veale		I McCahon				
M Veitch	M Krahe		H Veitch				

MIDWEEK PENNANT RESULTS

Tuesday December 11th 2018

LEADER	SECOND	THIRD	SKIP	For	Agst	Diff	PTS
BURWOOD 1	Home	MCC 1					
B Matthews	G Nielsen	B Chittenden	M Chittenden	19	17	2	2
P Williams	B Wyatt	P Kaye	S Collins	17	24	-7	
J Mann	H Kennedy	G Burgess	R Morley	12	33	-21	
			Loss	48	74	26	2
BURWOOD 2 v	Home	MCC 5					
L Larher	A Powell	A Marshall	J Hawes	13	23	-10	
L Durran	L Rasmussen	J Kent	M Hawes	19	13	6	
J Sloman	G Murphy	E Lambert	J Sumsion	19	22	-3	
			Loss	51	58	-7	2
Burwood 6-a-Side	Home	Mt Waverley					
E Payne	J Fowler		I McCahon	12	22	-10	
M Veitch	B Dunstan		H Veitch	23	20	3	
			Loss	35	42	-7	2

SATURDAY PENNANT RESULTS

SATURDAY December 8TH 2018



LEADER	SECOND	THIRD	SKIP		Agst	Diff	PTS
Burwood 1	Middle Park 2	AT	Middle Park 2				
MANN J	CORRIE J	HENDRY M	SODAITIS G	21	14	7	2
HENDRA D	PEISLEY S	JACKETT B	CREEK S	12	25	-13	0
ROBINSON M	GASCOIGNE R	HODGENS N	MORLEY R	24	10	14	2
KENT B	COLLINS S	WYATT B	CHITTENDEN M	26	21	5	2
			W/L	83	70	13	16
Burwood 2	Montmorency 5	AT	Montmorency 5				
LAMBERT E	MORLEY J	NICOLL S	COVE R	23	12	11	2
BELL S	MURPHY G	JENKINS P	SUMSION J	26	23	3	2
BIRCH J	WORBOYS C	CREEK R	CHITTENDEN B	7	29	-22	0
TWITT N	FOWLER J	FERGUSON J	WILLIAMS P	21	19	2	2
			W/L	77	83	-6	6
Burwood 3	Hampton 4	AT	Hampton 4				
VEITCH H		RASMUSSEN L	BARTON B	26	14	12	2
BAILEY J		KENT J	KENNEDY H	31	13	18	2
			W/L	57	27	30	14

SATURDAY PENNANT RESULTS

SUNDAY December 9TH 2018

LEADER	SECOND	THIRD	SKIP		Agst	Diff	PTS
Burwood 1	Edithvale 2	AT	Edithvale 2				
MANN J	CORRIE J	GASCOIGNE R	SODAITIS G	11	25	-14	0
BURGESS G	HENDRA D	PEISLEY S	CREEK S	28	17	11	2
NIELSEN G	ROBINSON M	HODGENS N	HENDRY M	25	9	16	2
KENT B	COLLINS S	WYATT B	CHITTENDEN M	25	10	15	2
			W/L	89	61	28	16
Burwood 2	Croydon 4	AT	Croydon 4				
LAMBERT E	MORLEY J	NICOLL S	COVE R	17	20	-3	0
PALUN V	MURPHY G	JENKINS P	SUMSION J	27	17	10	2
BIRCH J	RASMUSSEN L	WORBOYS C	CHITTENDEN B	11	30	-19	0
BAILEY J	KENT J	CREEK R	WILLIAMS P	9	32	-23	0
			W/L	64	99	-35	2
Burwood 3	St Kilda 6	AT	St Kilda 6				
						0	1
						0	1
			W/L	0	0	0	7

Night Pennant Results

Tuesday December 11th 2018 Home V Ringwood

LEADER	THIRD	SKIP	For	Agst	Diff	PTS
J Kent	D Hendra	N Hodgins	10	29	-19	0
J Bailey	S Nicoll	S Creek	15	19	-4	0
J Brown	C Worboys	M Hendry	10	27	-17	0
J Morley	R Cove	M Robinson	18	31	-13	0
		Loss	53	106	-53	0

Dates to Remember

All of the following will have relevant information on the noticeboard.

Club Championship events

Please make every effort to ensure that all club games/events are played on time. If they are not played you risk being taken out of the competition.

Christmas Dinner, 15th of December

After the final pennant game we will be having our traditional Christmas dinner. It will be great to see everyone's family and friends before the Christmas break.

A reminder that it is \$15 per head for a two-course meal, which will be served around 6.30pm.

Function assistance

We have a few events we need your help.

- Thursday 13th December, 4 - 9pm
- Friday 14th December, 4pm start
- Sunday 16th December, 12 - 4pm

Please let Jen know if you are able to help

Coaching Corner

MORE ON THE MODERN BOWL

The modern bowl is frequently described as a 'narrow-biased bowl'. If you studied Coaching Corner from a few issues ago carefully you might have registered that I never used that expression. Why? Because it is full of danger for the unwary bowler.

If there is one core principle in playing this game it must be the importance of playing good line. Playing good line gives every well-weighted bowl the best chance of reaching the intended goal. **Off-line bowls, even with correct pace, finish out of the target area. On-line bowls played off-pace will tend to finish in the business area of the head.**

Older style bowls demanded good line. They turned so much that when played inadvertently narrow, they crossed the line and became useless or ploughed into the head destroying it. **Advantage to disadvantage.**

Modern bowls are no less demanding. Do not fall for the trap that 'narrow-biased bowls can be played narrow. Good line remains the pivotal principle. Plan for your draw shot bowl to be coming **to the jack**, rather than at the jack. There is of course a time when you want a toucher, and generally a small trail finishing on the jack is a powerful shot. But when your team is holding well and in control, the last thing needed is a narrow bowl that cuts into the head. **Advantage to disadvantage.**

Bear in mind. A narrow over weighted bowl that happens to drag the jack is not a good bowl. It may have a happy result, but it is not a good bowl. Work at playing consistently good line. Drill it during your training sessions. Seek coaching assistance to help you achieve this important quality.

Sponsor's Spotlight



307 Waverley Rd, Malvern East,
(near the corner of Darling Road, just
at the tram terminus.)

Phone: 9571 5698

<http://yourlocalbutchers.com.au>

Marty is the man behind this friendly, local, family run butcher shop. The meat quality is fantastic, one of the Saturday Roast cooks compared slicing the meat to slicing butter with a hot knife.

Some other recommendations from a couple are the lamb burgers, for those wanting a small roast we recommend the lamb rump and a fantastic range of great sausages.

Marty stocks Otway Free Range Pork, so you can be confident that it will have come from a "happy pig".

When he has time Marty smokes his own ham! (It is delicious)

As well as quality meat Marty also stocks vegetables and some fruit. He has some of the freshest green beans I've eaten.

There's also a selection of quality cheeses, free range eggs, as well as some seafood, sauce mixes, marinades and the like.

For those with the internet you can see a selection of the offerings available.

Stay tuned for information regarding an initiative we are hoping will help you shop at **"Your Local Butchers"**